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In re application of

Takehiro MATSUDA

Appln. No.: 09/885,541

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For:

OPTICAL PICKUP APPARATUS

REQUEST FOR CORRECTED OFFICIAL FILING RECEIPT

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Sir:

We enclose a copy of the Official Filing Receipt for the above-identified application and request the following correction:

APPLICATION NUMBER [09/885,167] <u>09/885,541</u>

Verification for the requested correction is indicated on a copy of the Request of Early Notification of Serial Number card filed June 21, 2001 submitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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The need for correction was caused by the PTO and therefore no fee is necessary.

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Assignment

Whereas, I/We. Takehiro MATSUDA Saitama, Japan

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hereinafter called assignor(s), have invented certain improvements in

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and executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America therefor on June 11, 2001; and

Whereas, PIONEER CORPORATION of No. 4-1, Meguro 1-chome, Meguro-ku, Tokyo, Japan

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

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Sir:

In response to the "Notice to File Corrected Application Papers-Filing Date Granted", mailed August 14, 2001, submitted herewith are fourteen (14) sheets of drawings in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84 and an Abstract not exceeding 150 words. Also, attached is a copy of the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers - Filing Date Granted.

Consideration of the attached is respectfully requested.

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This application has been accorded an Application Number and Filing Date. The application, however, is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

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